

**U.S. District Court**  
**District of Columbia (Washington, DC)**  
**CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:17-cv-01716-RC**

DILLON v. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
Assigned to: Judge Rudolph Contreras  
Demand: \$0  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 08/23/2017  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
08/23/2017	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE ( Filing fee \$ 400 receipt number 0090-5086122) filed by KENNETH J. DILLON. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Civil Cover Sheet, # <u>2</u> Summons)(Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 08/23/2017)
08/23/2017		Case Assigned to Judge Rudolph Contreras. (md) (Entered: 08/24/2017)
08/24/2017	<u>2</u>	SUMMONS (3) Issued Electronically as to U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, U.S. Attorney and U.S. Attorney General (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Notice of Consent) (md) (Entered: 08/24/2017)
09/14/2017	<u>3</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed as to the United States Attorney. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney on 8/29/2017. Answer due for ALL FEDERAL DEFENDANTS by 9/28/2017. (Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 09/14/2017)
09/14/2017	<u>4</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed on United States Attorney General. Date of Service Upon United States Attorney General 08/29/2017. (Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 09/14/2017)
09/14/2017	<u>5</u>	RETURN OF SERVICE/AFFIDAVIT of Summons and Complaint Executed. U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE served on 8/29/2017 (Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 09/14/2017)
10/03/2017	<u>6</u>	Consent MOTION for Extension of Time to File Answer by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 10/03/2017)

		10/03/2017)
10/03/2017		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>6</u> Consent Motion for Extension of Time: It is hereby ORDERED that Defendant shall file an answer to Plaintiff's Complaint on or before November 28, 2017. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 10/3/2017. (lcrc3) (Entered: 10/03/2017)
11/28/2017	<u>7</u>	ANSWER to Complaint by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE.(Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 11/28/2017)
11/28/2017		MINUTE ORDER: It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet, confer, and jointly submit a proposed briefing schedule on or before December 12, 2017. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 11/28/2017. (lcrc3) (Entered: 11/28/2017)
11/29/2017		Set/Reset Deadlines: Proposed Briefing Schedule due by 12/12/2017 (tj) (Entered: 11/29/2017)
12/12/2017	<u>8</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by KENNETH J. DILLON. (Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 12/12/2017)
12/12/2017		MINUTE ORDER: It is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet, confer, and submit a joint status report on or before December 21, 2017. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 12/12/2017. (lcrc3) (Entered: 12/12/2017)
12/12/2017	<u>9</u>	Joint MOTION for Extension of Time by KENNETH J. DILLON, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (See Docket Entry <u>8</u> to view document). (znmw) (Entered: 12/13/2017)
12/13/2017		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 12/21/2017 (tj) (Entered: 12/13/2017)
12/21/2017	<u>10</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by KENNETH J. DILLON. (Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 12/21/2017)
12/21/2017		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>10</u> the parties' Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties shall meet, confer, and submit a joint status report, including a proposed schedule for moving forward with this matter, on January 30, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 12/21/2017. (lcrc3) (Entered: 12/21/2017)
12/21/2017	<u>11</u>	MOTION for Extension of Time by KENNETH J. DILLON. (See Docket Entry <u>10</u> to view document) (jf) (Entered: 12/26/2017)
12/22/2017		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 1/30/2018 (tj) (Entered: 12/22/2017)
01/30/2018	<u>12</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 01/30/2018)
01/30/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>12</u> the parties' Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that the parties submit a joint status report on or before March 6, 2018 providing an update on the status of the matter and stating whether briefing will be necessary and, if so, proposing a schedule. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 1/30/2018. (lcrc3) (Entered: 01/30/2018)
01/31/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Status Report due by 2/6/2018 (tj) (Entered: 01/31/2018)
03/06/2018	<u>13</u>	Joint STATUS REPORT by KENNETH J. DILLON. (Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 03/06/2018)
03/07/2018		MINUTE ORDER: Upon consideration of <u>13</u> the parties' Joint Status Report, it is hereby ORDERED that Defendant's motion for summary judgment shall be filed on or before June 15, 2018; Plaintiff's cross-motion for summary judgment and opposition to Defendant's motion for summary judgment shall be filed on or before July 16, 2018; Defendant's opposition to the cross-motion and reply in support of its own motion shall be filed on or before August 6, 2018; and Plaintiff's reply in support of his cross-motion shall be filed on or before August 27, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on 3/7/2018. (lcrc3) (Entered: 03/07/2018)

03/08/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Cross Motions due by 7/16/2018. Response to Cross Motions due by 8/6/2018. Reply to Cross Motions due by 8/27/2018. Summary Judgment motions due by 6/15/2018. Response to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 7/16/2018. Reply to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 8/6/2018. (tj) (Entered: 03/08/2018)
06/15/2018	<u>14</u>	MOTION for Summary Judgment by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Statement of Facts, # <u>2</u> Declaration, # <u>3</u> Exhibit Exhibits A – N to Declaration, # <u>4</u> Exhibit Exhibits O – FF to Declaration)(Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 06/15/2018)
07/16/2018	<u>15</u>	Memorandum in opposition to re <u>14</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by KENNETH J. DILLON. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Memorandum in Support, # <u>2</u> Statement of Facts, # <u>3</u> Declaration, # <u>4</u> Exhibit, # <u>5</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 07/16/2018)
07/16/2018	<u>16</u>	Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment by KENNETH J. DILLON (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Memorandum in Support, # <u>2</u> Statement of Facts, # <u>3</u> Declaration, # <u>4</u> Exhibit, # <u>5</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 07/16/2018)
07/19/2018	<u>17</u>	Unopposed MOTION for Extension of Time to File Response/Reply by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Text of Proposed Order)(Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 07/19/2018)
07/19/2018		MINUTE ORDER granting <u>17</u> Defendant's Unopposed Motion for Extension of Time: It is hereby ORDERED that Defendant shall file its opposition to Plaintiff's cross-motion for summary judgment and reply in support of its motion for summary judgment on or before September 12, 2018; and Plaintiff shall file his reply on or before September 26, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on July 19, 2018. (lcrc3) (Entered: 07/19/2018)
07/20/2018		Set/Reset Deadlines: Response to Cross Motions due by 9/12/2018. Reply to Cross Motions due by 9/26/2018. Reply to Motion for Summary Judgment due by 9/12/2018. (tj) (Entered: 07/20/2018)
09/12/2018	<u>18</u>	Memorandum in opposition to re <u>16</u> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Statement of Facts)(Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 09/12/2018)
09/12/2018	<u>19</u>	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>14</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Statement of Facts)(Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 09/12/2018)
09/13/2018	<u>20</u>	NOTICE of Filing Second Declaration of Hardy by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE re <u>19</u> Reply to opposition to Motion (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Declaration Second Hardy)(Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 09/13/2018)
09/26/2018	<u>21</u>	REPLY to opposition to motion re <u>16</u> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by KENNETH J. DILLON. (Hodes, Scott) (Entered: 09/26/2018)
09/26/2018	<u>22</u>	ENTERED IN ERROR....Memorandum in opposition re <u>14</u> MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by KENNETH J. DILLON. (See Docket Entry <u>21</u> to view document) (tth) Modified on 10/1/2018 (znmw). (Entered: 10/01/2018)
10/01/2018		NOTICE OF CORRECTED DOCKET ENTRY: Docket Entry 22 Memorandum in Opposition was entered in error and will not be refiled. (znmw) (Entered: 10/01/2018)
11/19/2018	<u>23</u>	Consent MOTION for Leave to File Surreply by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit, # <u>2</u> Declaration)(Peterson, Benton) (Entered: 11/19/2018)
11/26/2018		MINUTE ORDER Granting <u>23</u> Defendant's Consent Motion for Leave to File Surreply: It is hereby ORDERED that Defendant's Motion for Leave to File a Surreply to <u>21</u> Plaintiff's Reply to Defendant's Opposition to Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment is GRANTED. It is FURTHER ORDERED that Defendant's Surreply attached to Defendant's Motion is deemed filed as of November 19, 2018. SO ORDERED. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on November 26, 2018. (lcrc3) (Entered: 11/26/2018)
11/26/2018	<u>25</u>	SURREPLY to <u>16</u> Cross MOTION for Summary Judgment filed by U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. (tth) Modified filed date on 11/29/2018 (znmw).

		(Entered: 11/27/2018)
11/27/2018	<u>24</u>	RESPONSE re <u>25</u> Surreply filed by KENNETH J. DILLON. (Hodes, Scott) Modified link on 11/29/2018 (znmw). (Entered: 11/27/2018)
01/17/2019	<u>26</u>	ORDER denying <u>14</u> Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment and denying <u>16</u> Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment: See document for details. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on January 17, 2019. (lcrc2) (Entered: 01/17/2019)
01/17/2019	<u>27</u>	MEMORANDUM OPINION denying <u>14</u> Defendant's Motion for Summary Judgment and denying <u>16</u> Plaintiff's Motion for Summary Judgment: See document for details. Signed by Judge Rudolph Contreras on January 17, 2019. (lcrc2) (Entered: 01/17/2019)